



## Miami Valley Career Technology Center Press Release

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### **MVCTC Students Earn Ohio Certification for Dental Assistants**

Clayton, Ohio – Dental Assistant senior students from Miami Valley Career Technology Center (MVCTC) challenged the Ohio Certification for Dental Assistants Examination in October and four students passed all three sections and are now Ohio certified Dental Assistants. Students are able to attempt the test if they are in the second year of a training program and their instructor is a certified dental assistant. The test includes three sections. The sections are radiography, written, and clinical. If all three sections of the test are passed, certification is gained. If a section is not passed, only that portion of the test must be re-taken. The test is only offered two times a year, in October and May.

The four MVCTC students earning the certification were:

- Nicolle Reed from Northmont
- Sierra Powers from National Trail
- Alisha Thobe from Versailles
- William Viney from Wayne (Huber Heights)

Several other students only missed passing one section by a few points and will retake that portion during the first weekend of May. Cheryl Johnson is the instructor for the MVCTC Dental Assistant program. The benefits of students taking the test are proving the credentials and competence on a resume. In addition, if a person passes the entire test they can automatically apply for the mandatory x-ray license and bypass the separate training and test for radiography. Certification is a requirement for application to the expanded functions programs for dental assistants. Becoming certified then "opens the door" to allowing application for further education and advancement in the field.

A student in the MVCTC Dental Assistant Program will learn highly skilled training such as Anatomy & Physiology, laboratory skills, radiology, and office technology for an in demand career field. After completing the two-year program students would be able to pursue a career as a Dental Assistant, Dental Receptionist, or Dental Office Assistant, and with additional training could become a Certified Oral Surgeon Assistant, Dental Hygienist, or even a Dentist. For more information about the Dental Assistant Program or any of the other exciting 49 career programs offered at MVCTC, please visit [www.mvctc.com](http://www.mvctc.com).

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- Photo 1: MVCTC Dental Assistant senior, Nicolle Reed from Northmont, recently passed the certification test to become an Ohio Certified Dental Assistant.
- Photo 2: MVCTC Dental Assistant senior, Sierra Powers from National Trail, recently passed the certification test to become an Ohio Certified Dental Assistant.
- Photo 3: MVCTC Dental Assistant senior, Alisha Thobe from Versailles, recently passed the certification test to become an Ohio Certified Dental Assistant.
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